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SUBJ: UN CONFERENCE ON TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE AMONG DEVELOPING  
COUNTRIES (TCDC) -- PLENARY MEETINGS OF SEPTEMBER 7

1. SUMMARY: THE US STATEMENT TO THE PLENARY WAS THE HIGHLIGHT OF MORNING MEETING. THE HALL WAS FULLER THAN AT ANY TIME SINCE OPENING DAYS OF THE CONFERENCE, AND THE STATEMENT WAS ATTENTIVELY LISTENED TO AND OBVIOUSLY WELL RECEIVED. OTHER SPEAKERS AT MORNING MEETING WERE URUGUAY, PORTUGAL, THAILAND, ISRAEL, OMAN, CYPRUS, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, UNICEF, ICEA, AND UNDRO. IN THE AFTERNOON, THE SPEAKERS REPRESENTED COSTA RICA, THE COMORO ISLANDS, NAPAL, REPUBLIC OF KOREA, BOTSWANA, THE EEC, MALTA, UNESCO, THE UKRAINIAN SSR, GUATEMALA, GAMBIA, AND THE HOLY SEE. THE ARABS WALKED OUT ON ISREAL'S SPEECH; THE AFRICANS WALKED OUT ON THE COMOROS'; AND THE PRC VACATED ITS SEAT DURING THE KOREAN'S SPEECH.  
END SUMMARY.

2. IN CONTRAST TO STATEMENTS OF MOST OTHER INDUST-  
RIALIZED COUNTRIES, THE US STATEMENT TO THE MORNING  
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PLENARY ATTRACTED MUCH INTEREST AND SUPPORT WITH ITS INCLUSION OF SEVERAL CONCRETE SUGGESTIONS FOR IMPLEMENTING TCDC. THESE SUGGESTIONS INCLUDED: WAYS TO UTILIZE THE PROSPECTIVE US FOUNDATION FOR INTERNATIONAL TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION; DEVELOPMENT OF A TRILATERAL APPROACH TO TECHNICAL COOPERATION (TWO DEVELOPING COUNTRIES JOINTLY APPROACHING DEVELOPED COUNTRY OR

INSTITUTION FOR GUIDANCE); AND USE OF THE US NATIONAL TECHNICAL INFORMATION SERVICE, DEPT. OF COMMERCE, TO STRENGTHEN THE INTERNATIONAL NETWORK OF INFORMATION ON AVAILABLE RESEARCH. (COPY OF US STATEMENT POUCHED TO IO/DHP AND USUN.)

3. HIGHLIGHTS OF OTHER MORNING STATEMENTS WERE: ISRAEL'S PROPOSAL FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A MULTILATERAL CLEARING HOUSE AMONG INTERESTED DEVELOPING COUNTRIES WHICH HAVE ACCUMULATED EXPERIENCE IN DEVELOPMENT TECHNIQUES AND ARE READY TO SHARE IT WITH OTHER COUNTRIES; AND URUGUAY'S VIEW THAT A NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER COULD NOT BE ESTABLISHED WITHOUT THE SOUTH FIRST ORGANIZING ITS OWN COOPERATIVE RELATIONSHIPS, WHICH ITSELF REQUIRES THE POSITIVE SUPPORT OF THE DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND MULTILATERAL ORGANIZATIONS.

4. ARAB DELEGATES LEFT THE HALL DURING THE ISRAELI STATEMENT, WHICH INCLUDED EXPRESSIONS OF REGRET ON THAT ACTION AS WELL AS A LOW KEY OBSERVATION THAT A SUGGESTION MADE EARLIER BY ONE DELEGATION (READ IRAQ) FOR THE ELIMINATION OF ZIONISM WAS NOT CONDUCTIVE TO THE CONCEPT OF COOPERATION AMONG NATIONS.

5. THE AFTERNOON SESSION INCLUDED FURTHER POLITICAL MANEUVERS. ALL THE AFRICAN DELEGATIONS WALKED  
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OUT WHEN THE COMORO ISLANDS REPRESENTATIVE TOOK THE PODIUM, AND RESUMED THEIR PLACES AS THE NEXT SPEAKER BEGAN. IN AN EXQUISITELY ORIENTAL VARIATION ON THE SAME THEME, THE PRCE REPRESENTATIVE VACATED HIS SEAT AT THE TABLE WHEN THE KOREAN TOOK THE FLOOR, AND SAT IN THE EXTRA CHAIR IMMEDIATELY BEHIND. HE RESUMED HIS PLACE WHEN THE NEXT REPRESENTATIVE ROSE TO SPEAK.

6. ON SUBSTANTIVE MATTERS, COSTA RICA CALLED ON BOTH THE INDUSTRIALIZED AND OPEC COUNTRIES TO MAKE SUBSTANTIAL ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS FOR TCDC. NEPAL AND KOREA SAID THAT NEW ADMINISTRATIVE MACHINERY WOULD IMPEDE RATHER THAN FACILITATE TCDC SINCE UNDP SHOULD DO THE JOB. NEPAL WANTED THE REGIONAL ECONOMIC COMMISSIONS TO SERVE AS REGIONAL FOCAL POINTS. KOREA REITERATED THE US SUGGESTION FOR WHAT IT TERMED "TRIPARITE" COOPERATION AMONG DEVELOPED COUNTRIES, LEADING DEVELOPING COUNTRIES, AND THE LEAST DEVELOPED.

7. BOTSWANA FOCUSED ON ECONOMIC (ECDC) ISSUES, ESPECIALLY THE REMOVAL OF TARIFF BARRIERS, RESTRICTIVE BUSINESS PRACTICES, AND TIED AID. MALTA SUPPORTED WHAT

IT TERMED THE GROUP OF 77 PROPOSALS FOR INCREASED  
FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS (ADDITIONAL FINANCING) FOR TCDC  
AND AN INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE TO  
OVERSEE TCDC.  
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